

**HB3338**



**99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**State of Illinois**

**2015 and 2016**

**HB3338**

by Rep. Michael W. Tryon

**SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:**

10 ILCS 5/11-7

from Ch. 46, par. 11-7

Amends the Election Code. Provides that clustered precincts shall only have one set of election judges. Effective immediately.

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**A BILL FOR**

1 AN ACT concerning elections.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Election Code is amended by changing Section  
5 11-7 as follows:

6 (10 ILCS 5/11-7) (from Ch. 46, par. 11-7)

7 (Text of Section before amendment by P.A. 98-1171)

8 Sec. 11-7. For the purpose of the conduct of any  
9 consolidated election, consolidated primary election, special  
10 municipal primary election or emergency referendum, an  
11 election authority may cluster up to four contiguous precincts  
12 as provided in this Section, which shall constitute a clustered  
13 voting zone. The common polling place for the clustered voting  
14 zone shall be located within the territory comprising the  
15 clustered precincts. Unless the election authority specifies a  
16 larger number, only one election judge shall be appointed for  
17 each of the precincts in each clustered voting zone.

18 The judges so appointed may not all be affiliated with the  
19 same political party.

20 The conduct of an election in a clustered voting zone shall  
21 be under the general supervision of all the judges of election  
22 designated to serve in the clustered voting zone. The  
23 designated judges may perform the duties of election judges for

1 the entire clustered voting zone. However, the requirements of  
2 Section 17-14 shall apply to voter assistance, the requirements  
3 of Section 24-10 shall apply to voter instruction, the  
4 requirement of Section 24A-10 shall apply to examination of  
5 absentee ballots, and any disputes as to entitlement to vote,  
6 challenges, counting of ballots or other matters pertaining  
7 directly to voting shall be decided by those designated judges  
8 appointed for the precinct in which the affected voter resides  
9 or the disputed vote is to be counted.

10 This Section does not apply to any elections in  
11 municipalities with more than 1,000,000 inhabitants.

12 Notwithstanding any provision of law to the contrary,  
13 clustered precincts shall only have one set of election judges.

14 (Source: P.A. 90-358, eff. 1-1-98.)

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19 clustered precincts shall only have one set of election judges.

20           (Source: P.A. 98-1171, eff. 6-1-15.)

21           Section 95. No acceleration or delay. Where this Act makes  
22 changes in a statute that is represented in this Act by text  
23 that is not yet or no longer in effect (for example, a Section  
24 represented by multiple versions), the use of that text does  
25 not accelerate or delay the taking effect of (i) the changes

1 made by this Act or (ii) provisions derived from any other  
2 Public Act.

3 Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
4 becoming law.